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INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent., On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.	
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T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, 19th October, 1896.	[31]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.	
Authorised Capital \$1,000,000	
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Hongkong, 23rd October, 1896.	[7]
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.	
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THE Business of the above Bank is conducted	
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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.	

Amusement.

Intimation.

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

"EXCELSIOR," HONGKONG.

A. B. C. Code.

TIFFIN AT 1 P.M.

DINNER AT 8 P.M.

THE MANAGER,

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1897.

INTIMATIONS.

THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824.

CAPITAL £1,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS AND SECURITY £1,450,000
NET ANNUAL FIRE PREMIA £57,478

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1897.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000] \$33,333.33
EQUAL TO \$33,333.33

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
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MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,
Hongkong, 15th December, 1896.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agents.

CHAU TSUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST,
Hongkong, 14th May, 189

Intimation.

CHOICE AUSTRALIAN WINES
FROM THE CELEBRATED
COOLALTA VINEYARDS,
NEW SOUTH WALES.

THE COOLALTA WINES which we are introducing here for the first time give an unexpected opportunity to Wine Connoisseurs to sample really HIGH CLASS AUSTRALIAN WINES of low alcoholic strength.

COOLALTA WINES cannot be surpassed for their absolute Purity, High and Even Quality, Brix, and soft delicate flavor; and, being the natural product of the grape, they are specially recommended by the Medical Faculty of New South Wales.

COOLALTA WINES have obtained the HIGHEST AWARDS at all the principal International Exhibitions of the World.

A careful Analysis of these Wines was recently made by the Government of New South Wales. They were found to be PERFECTLY PURE, SOUND and THOROUGHLY FERMENTED WINES.

SAMPLES may be had FREE on application to

W. G. CAMPBELL,
Hongkong Hotel,
Hongkong, 4th February, 1897. [245]

To-day's Advertisements.

STILL TRIUMPHANT!

WILLISON'S CIRCUS
EVERY EVENING AT 9 P.M.

MATINEES.
WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY AT 4 P.M.
Doors Open an hour earlier.

THE JAPANESE
in their Wonderful and Daring Feat, Catching a
Musket Ball which has been fired off by
one of the Audience—a truly Startling Act.

For the First Time the
AMERICAN RIDING MACHINE,
Illustrating how little Children are taught to
Ride in the Circus.

Conclusion of the
GREAT BOXING CONTEST
—CASH PRIZES \$50

FRIDAY
SECOND FASHIONABLE EVENING.

First Appearance of
F. L. Y. MARTINE,
The People's Popular Philosopher.

SATURDAY, February 13th.
2-PERFORMANCES—2
At 4 P.M. and 9 P.M.

NEXT WEEK.
The Great International
TUG-OF-WAR

\$200 — CASH PRIZES \$200

BERT WILLISON,
Hongkong, 10th February, 1897. [280]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

THE Steamship.

"MEDUSA"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent to the Undersigned before Noon on the 18th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 18th instant will be subject to rent."

Bill of Lading will be countersigned by
SANDER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1897. [244]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOT, AND FOOCHEW.

THE Company's Steamship.

"NAMOO"

Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 14th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1897. [245]

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR SHANGHAI, CHEMULPO AND
NAGASAKI.

(Omitting to call at CHEFOO this trip only.)

THE Company's Steamship

"SENDAI MARU."

Captain G. Olisch, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 13th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1897. [281]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"SIKH,"

Captain Rowley, will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 18th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 11th February, 1897. [282]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,

ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,
PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and
AMERICAN PORTS).

THE Steamship

"RAVENNA,"

Captain C. T. Denby, R.N.R., carrying Her
Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this
for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 25th
February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo
for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will
be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed
via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and
Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills
of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1897. [283]

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Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

W I N E S
AND
S P I R I T S.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once should be ordered to be decanted at the DISPENSARY before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the Lowest Priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currants, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure COGNAC, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKEY.—All our Whiskey is of excellent quality and of greater size than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKEY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the Coast Ports.

DEATH.

At the Government Civil Hospital, Hongkong, on the 11th February, 1897, JACOB ALEXANDER BEDFORD SHUSTER, the youngest son of the late J. F. Shuster, of Hongkong; aged 21 years.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1896.

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REUTER'S MESSAGE.

GREECE AND CRETE.

LONDON, February 9th.

The state of affairs in Crete is serious and the revolt is spreading. Popular meetings in Greece have demanded the annexation of Crete, and the insurgents have proclaimed a union with Greece.

The entire Greek fleet has been ordered to sea.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

At the Sanitary Board's meeting this afternoon it was decided to ask the Governor in Council to declare Bombay, Flora and Kobe infected ports. A long discussion ensued regarding the quarantine regulations and the Ordinance dealing with shipping is to be amended in the matter of the length of ships' voyages.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Az Sourabaya a Chinese named Kwee Keeh Soo has been sentenced to ten years imprisonment for forging acceptances, but an accomplice got off with two years.

We print another column the report of the Hon. Treasurer of the Tidal Wave (Japan) Relief Fund, to which Hongkong and Shanghai contributed handsomely a few months ago.

Present prospects favour hopes that we shall have fine weather and a flying course this year.

The work of filling in the dangerous mud swamps which lie to the westward of old Pedder's Wharf is at last being taken in hand.

This morning we counted no less than six coolies employed at one end and the same time on this extensive and very necessary work. We must really congratulate the Reclamation authorities on having at last grasped the fact that this portion of their huge undertaking requires pushing forward with all despatch, while double those whose business compels them to reside in this locality will rejoice at the prospect of having firm ground to gaze and walk upon twenty seven years hence, provided that they have not previously succumbed to the effects of the pestilential exhalations arising from this disgusting swamp during the progress of the work.

The authorities have been racking their greatly overworked brains again to discover some method by which the numbers of the chair and ricksha coolies should be properly displayed on their persons. Their latest departure in this direction is in the shape of a large bamboo hat with a red top and blue brim. The number is painted on the brim in white figures so that altogether the hats add quite a pleasing touch of colour to the grimy clothing of the coolies.

May we be allowed to point out, however, that everyone is not over six feet in height and therefore the short folk can only take

the number of a coolie by requesting him to be seated or to *how-low* while they do so. Then, too, suppose the hats get mixed and a coolie walks off with the wrong number, some unfeeling individual may be arrested or have his license cancelled for an act which he never committed. Most of our readers will remember the coolie strike that arose some time ago from the authorities compelling the coolies to wear numbers on their backs, and possibly the new hats order may produce similar effect, though it is to be hoped not. If a little more attention were paid to the state of the vehicles, the physique, and the behaviour of the coolies the public could very well dispense with the numbered *chop-sas*, which can only be properly appreciated when looking down upon them from the elevation of a first floor veranda. It may be added that it would be well write the police a little more careful about the numbers on the footboards of rickshas. As a rule they are so dirty that it is most difficult to distinguish the figures, if indeed they are legible.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY II, 1897.

THE SEISMIC WAVE RELIEF FUND.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We have received from His Excellency the Governor the following correspondence for publication:

KOBE, JAPAN, February, 1897.
Sir—I have the honour to present herewith to your Excellency, on behalf of the Tidal Wave Fund Committee, their final report and copies of audited statements of accounts, together with a summary of disbursements, all of which we trust will meet with your Excellency's approval.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express on behalf of the Committee our appreciation of your Excellency's distinguished co-operation.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,
J. H. HAPPER,
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.
His Excellency Sir William Robinson, K.C.M.G.,
F.R.G.S., Governor, Hongkong.

(Enclosure.)

This Committee was elected at a public meeting held in Kobe on Jan 25th, 1896, to raise funds and consider the best means of affording relief to the sufferers from the great Tidal Wave on the North-East coast of Japan. The Committee thus elected notified the Committee of Shanghai and Hongkong that they were ready to receive and distribute any funds raised by them, and in response to their letters funds were sent them from both the above-mentioned committees.

Subscriptions were received from the date of the Committee's organization up to September 3rd, when the books were finally closed. The work of disbursing the funds thus received was greater than at first expected, and, instead of completing the work by the end of the year, it is only now that the Committee report that their work is completed.

Mr. Sim personally visited the afflicted districts in July and August, dispensing at that time part of the funds in cash and part in necessities. On consulting with the Governors of the Kow and with other officials, he was advised to keep such a great part of the funds to supply the wants which the advent of cold weather would aggravate. On his return, at a meeting held on the 21st August, it was resolved to purchase further supplies, and to order winter clothing, etc. After placing the orders a series of storms and floods not only delayed the execution of the orders, but damaged the railroad lines to such an extent that transportation facilities were seriously interfered with and the work of the Committee was unavoidably delayed. Mr. Sim therefore made another trip to the scene of relief in November, thus arranging for the receipt and distribution of the goods, and late in December, after many disappointments and delays, the last shipment was made.

The financial statements and summary of expenditure, appended, need no explanation, except it may be of interest to state that where cash was given, Mr. Sim took a receipt from each individual, which receipts were duly audited as per statement of account.

When it is considered that nearly two-thirds of the funds were expended in goods necessitating distribution to localities deficient in transportation facilities, some idea may be arrived at of the work which has delayed the rendering of the account. The Committee, therefore, feel that special thanks are due to Mr. Sim, who at great personal discomfort at his own expense, amid much discomfort and hardship in travelling, so ably, thoroughly and wisely distributed, or arranged for the distribution of cash and goods in such manner that the donors can feel confident that everyone who received aid was in actual distress and that not a dollar was ignorantly or carelessly squandered on undeserving recipients.

To Messrs. Death, Leus and Sim, as purchasing sub-Committee, are also due the best thanks of the Committee for the careful intelligence and economical methods by which the money was expended. The Committee have great satisfaction in reporting that not only the people relieved, but their officials, have expressed in warmest terms their deep appreciation and gratefulness for the aid given. Would space permit, letters from the Governors of the two prefectures, and from officials, villages, headmen, etc., could be published, but it must suffice to offer to the public the thanks of the recipients to all the generous donors. This appreciation and the unfailing courtesy and accommodation afforded the Committee in carrying out its work, has been one of the pleasing features of the work, and no doubt a great deal of international sympathy and a close bond between varying nationalities will be a lasting result of this practical exhibition of sympathy with the suffering. It is worthy of especial notice that China and Japan, lately at war, have been drawn together by the contributions of Chinese to the relief of Japan.

The Committee's thanks are due and herewith heartily tendered to the *Kobe Chronicle* for promptly handing over a subscription list started by it and for assistance in collecting the same as well as for the many favours shown in printing subscription forms etc.; to the *Kobe Press* generally for inserting advertisement, reports of subscriptions and other courtesies; to the *Hongkong and Shanghai Bank* and the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China for kindly assistance in collecting and transmitting funds; to the Nippon Yusen Kaisha and the Government Railway for reduction in transportation rates and to all who have aided Mr. Sim in the duties of distribution. While actively engaged on this committee one member has been called away from all earthly labours, bringing forcibly to the minds of his colleagues the uncertainty of life. The Committee desire to place on record the profound grief, the deep sense of loss caused by the death on January 18th of Mr. C. P. Hall. By his long experience of this country, his intimate knowledge of the people and their language he was of valuable assistance, and by his personal character commanded the respect of those who were associated with him. The Committee hope that their trust has been discharged satisfactorily to all subscribers and in disbanding feel that their work has had its compensation in the consciousness that human suffering has been relieved in a measure. It has been a privilege to be the almoner for such prompt and generous givers, and while they hope that this nation may be spared any repetition of such widespread disasters at the same time they cannot but hope that the traditional generosity of the dwellers in the Far East may never be found wanting; but may always be as magnificently exhibited as it has been in the year 1896 for the relief of the Tidal Wave sufferers.

J. S. HAPPER, Chairman.

J. H. HAPPER, Hon. Sec. & Treasurer.

Committee—H. L. G. M. Consul R. von Krenner, Chairman.

Rt. Rev. Bishop AWDRY, Chairman.

A. DEATHE, Esq.

T. LEUZ, Esq.

A. C. SIM, Esq.

J. S. HAPPER, Esq.

Hon. Sec. & Treasurer.

Kobe, Japan, Feb. 1st, 1897.

The statement of account, which is a very long one, sets forth that \$15,836.66 were received and a similar sum expended on fishing nets, hats, blankets, clothing, carpenter's tools and numerous sundries, including food for the uniformed people.

THE VOLUNTEERS' BALL.

Last night the members of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps gave their annual ball in the City Hall, and the success of this popular function was ensured from the first, all ranks, from the Major Commanding down the most diminutive of signallers, uniting with the utmost heartiness to do credit to the occasion. The decorations were particularly fine and did all credit to our citizen soldiers. The entrance to the hall was beautifully decorated with ferns, palms and bamboo, and the Gunner's Bridgelais in the arrangement of the electric lights was a theme of general admiration.

On the first landing there was a capital representation of a sandbag redoubt, armed with Maxim guns and the flag of the corps floated triumphantly overhead. Besides the Maxim guns some of the Corps' 9-pouders were also placed in position along the staircase, and stars of long infantry bayonets, such as immortalized "the thin red line," made effective wall decorations. The ball room was draped with flags of all nations in excellent style, the bluejackets from H.M.S. *Victor Emmanuel* carrying out this work in a most commendable manner. At the head of the staircase and in other points of vantage were small brass cannon mounted on stands, such as the American warships once used to carry for sailing purposes. In the ball rooms there were stars of calabashes and lances and the artistic disposal of bunting here and on the balcony made a charming *tour ensemble*.

The Theatre was for the nonce used as a supper room while the library afforded ample scope for those who cared for a quiet hand at whist, euchre, or naps.

Shortly after 9 o'clock His Excellency Major General Black arrived at the Hall and was received by a guard of honour from the Maxim and Field batteries. A little later His Excellency the Governor entered the hall and was received with full military honours, the officers and men of the corps mustering in strong force, and presenting a very smart and soldier-like appearance. A number of the members of the Corps wore medals won in England's wars, and Mr. J. Francis Q.C., an ex-Captain of the Corps, and who has ever taken a deep interest in the volunteer movement, was also present in uniform.

There were altogether about 700 people present and among them were Sir J. W. Carrington (Colonel Commandant), Capt. Chapman, Captain Henderson (Master Attendant), Lieuts Mitchell, McDonald, and Whaley, Com. Shakespeare (H.M.), officers of the West Yorks, Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers, and also officers from the foreign warships. The West Yorks band supplied excellent music under the direction of Bandmaster Bentley and the splendid time and artistic execution of the players largely added to the success of the gathering. A word of praise is due to Q. M. S. Coyle and Gunners H. Humphreys and Wm. Thompson for their very artistic work in decorating the hall and its approaches. Taken altogether the Volunteer Dance was a complete success, for there were present about 600 guests, and everything went "merry as a marriage bell" throughout. It reflected the greatest credit upon all concerned.

The supper was served in the Theatre and the following was the menu:

Beefsteak.	Bovril.
Beef.	Tongue.
Sauerkraut.	Sardines.
Caviar.	Eggs.
Boiled Ham.	Pate de Foie Gras.
Cold Beef.	Saddle of Mutton.
Roast Beef.	Corned Beef.
Roast Pheasant.	Roast Chicken.
Roast Peacock.	Roast Turkey.
Lobster.	Wild Duck.
Asorted Cakes.	Ganache.
Calf's Foot Jelly.	Jelly.
White Jelly.	Chocolate Jelly.
Blanc Mange.	Blanc Mange.
Strawberry and Vanilla Ice Cream.	Fruit.
Cheese and Celery.	Tea and Coffee.
Crab.	
The programme of dances was as follows:	
1. LANCERS.....	Duke of Wellington.
2. VALE.....	Spanish.
3. BARN DANCE.....	Happy Darlings.
4. LANCERS.....	Red Indian.
5. VALE.....	King of Persia.
6. POLKA.....	Marguerite.
7. HIGHLAND SCHOTISCH.....	Tout a la folie.
8. VALE.....	Soham in Cheshire.
9. BARN DANCE.....	Estudiantina.
10. VALE.....	Tola.
11. LANCERS.....	Lincolnshire.
12. VALE.....	The Old Guard.
13. BARN DANCE.....	Mysteries.
14. VALE.....	Flute Up to Date.
15. CALOF.....	Did me good bye.
God save the Queen.	

THE LYAUDET CASE.

From *L'Avant du Tambour* we gather that the Lyaudet family are to receive from the Chinese Government, as compensation for their seizure by Chinese pirates and the hardships and privations suffered during long imprisonment, the substantial sum of fifty thousand taels.

Many of our readers will doubtless remember that M. Lyaudet, his wife and family were seized by pirates some two years ago and detained in the fortress of Panai, near Macao, where they suffered terrible hardships, until at last they were released through the good offices of the Commandant of the Chinese troops on the Tschot-China frontier. M. Lyaudet, who has been pressing his claim for compensation through diplomatic channels, arrived in "Tschot" from Paris on the 4th instant. When the matter was before the French Chamber various comments were made upon the slow progress of the negotiations by different members of the Assembly. M. Rousset reluctantly admitted that he had not dealt directly with the Chinese authorities as the case was one that required diplomatic handling, while in reply to a question as to the cause of the vexatious delay, by M. Jourde, the Minister of the Colonies said that he did not consider a year to be sufficient for the settlement of a diplomatic matter, especially with China. M. Michel Habert, among others, hoped that the affair might be concluded within five years or so! M. Gustave Roosset observed that the claim bears that of a British subject, China would long ago have apologized and paid proper compensation.

The French are to be congratulated on having in this case established a precedent that is worthy of something more than passing notice, but they are quite wrong in supposing that British claims are promptly settled as it has been in the year 1896 for the relief of the Tidal Wave sufferers.

THE PROPOSED PACIFIC CABLE.

London, January 8th.

The Pacific Cable Conference, which has been deliberating in secret at the Colonial Office, on and off, since last June, has this week completed its labours, and we understand, reports in favour of the speedy completion of a Trans-Pacific Cable from Vancouver, on the British Columbia coast of Canada, to Australia. This is one of those great inter-colonial and inter-imperial projects which had their beginning at the Colonial Conference of 1887, and carried the united support of Canada and the Australasian colonies at the Ottawa Conference of 1894. It has now received the seal of Imperial approval and may well be regarded as the first step towards providing a new system of telegraphs for the Empire which shall be absolutely under British control and as free from interruption in times of difficulty as any cable system can possibly be.

(A) Adverse holding or prescription during a period of fifty years shall make a good title. The arbitrators may deem exclusive political control of a district as well as actual political control thereof sufficient to constitute adverse holding, or to make title by prescription.

(B) The arbitrators may recognize and give effect to rights and claims resting on any other ground whatever, valued according to international law on any principles of international law which the arbitrators may deem to be applicable to the case, and which are not in contravention of the foregoing rule.

SPORTS, & PASTIMES.

THE WEST YORKS SPORTS.

SECOND DAY.

President—Colonel C. S. Gordon; Committee—Messrs. Mills, Captain Price, Lieutenant Tew, Sub-Committee—Sergt-Major Westcott, Cr.-Sergt, Scoupe, Sergt, Grew, Sergt. Mann, Armorer-Sergt, Purchas, Sergt, Truelove, Corporal-O'Riley, and Ltcr-Corporal Stedman; Sergeant—Major Grant-Dalton; Starters—Major Cox and Captain Phillips; Judges—Col. Gordon, Captain Carey, and Lieutenant Stewart.

The second day of the West Yorks Sports was favoured by very fine weather and there was a very large attendance of spectators at Happy Valley. His Excellency, the Governor, accompanied by Mr. C. Platt (Private Secretary) arrived about 4 p.m. There were also present Admiral Sir Alexander Butler, Major-General Wilson Black, Sir J. Carrington, and many other leading residents.

The results were as follow:—

RUNNING HIGH JUMP;	prizes \$4, \$2, \$1,
Swirling (E Co.)	2
Rushion (W Co.)	2
Lipscombe (E Co.)	3

SCREAGANS' RACE (200 yards); prizes \$2, \$4,

Drum-Sergt-Baldwin	1
Sergt. Brunskill	2
Sergt. Blanchard	3

TOLLET AND REFRESHMENT RACE; prizes

\$4, \$3, \$2, \$1,

First Heat.

Duffy (H. Co.)	1
Thomson (C. Co.)	2
Stonk Heat	

LYMER (D. Co.)

OLDFIELD (H. Co.)

Wade

HURDLE RACE, 120 yards (10 flights); prizes

\$8, \$4, \$2,

First Heat.

Duffy (H. Co.)	1
Thomson (C. Co.)	2
Stonk Heat	

LYMER (D. Co.)

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Hongkong, 8th February, 1897. [223]

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Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 13th February.

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Hongkong, 3rd January, 1897. [218]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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Hongkong, 8th February, 1897. [223]

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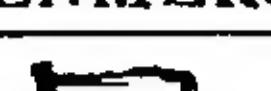
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Hongkong, 11th February, 1897. [145]

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Hongkong, 8th February, 1897. [260]

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Hongkong, 6th February, 1897. [252]

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Hongkong, 10th February, 1897. [275]

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